



## **Hopkinton Sestercentennial Committee**

**Celebrating Hopkinton, NH's 250<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**

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### **Schedule of Events**

- January 10**      **Building Community Through Oral History** – Hopkinton Town Library
- Commemoration of the signing of the Town Charter** on January 10, 1765 – Hopkinton Town Hall
- March 7**        **Hopkinton School District Annual Meeting** – Hopkinton Middle/High School
- March 14**      **Hopkinton Annual Town Meeting** with 250<sup>th</sup> celebration cupcakes and signing of *Happy Birthday*. – Hopkinton Middle/High School
- March 15**      **Hopkinton's Painted Curtains** – The Town of Hopkinton and the Hopkinton Historical Society are collaborating on the restoration of Hopkinton's grand painted curtains from the 1930's which were used as backdrops for numerous theatrical performances. Christin Hadsel, Director of *Curtains Without Borders* will present a talk about the Town's curtains at the Hopkinton Town Library. The plan is to restore the curtains during early fall and have them displayed at the Town Hall before the end of the year.
- April 17, 18, & 19** **First Congregational Church Variety Show** – Hopkinton Middle/High School Auditorium. Tickets \$ 8.00 – April 17 & 18 at 7:30 p.m. and April 19 at 2:00 p.m. Sponsor: *First Congregational Church of Hopkinton* – contact Sue Wilder Mitchell 746-3685
- April 25**        **Historical Tour of Local Churches** - Tours include: Countryside Community Church, First Congregational Church, St. Andrews Episcopal Church, St. Theresa's Catholic Church, and the United Methodist Church
- May TBD**        **Contoocook Fire Station Open House** and Tours of the renovated building

- May TBD**      **Hopkinton, NH to Hopkinton, MA Motorcycle Ride**
- May 30**      **Grand Celebration Day & Fireworks** (rain date May 31st)  
**11:00 a.m.** Parade in downtown Contoocook  
**12:00 p.m.** Festivities at the Hopkinton High School: period games, musical entertainment, and a Zen Tangle  
Community Art Project coordinated by Diane LaChance  
**Dusk:** Fireworks located at Houston Fields  
Contact: Louise Carr, [louise.carr@tds.net](mailto:louise.carr@tds.net)
- June 4**      **Historical Society Summer Exhibit**  
“Celebrating 250 Years of Hopkinton History” A Celebration of all things Hopkinton, the exhibit will look at the people and events that have shaped our town. More info: [www.HopkintonHistory.org](http://www.HopkintonHistory.org)
- June 13**      **Hopkinton Greenway Historic Walking Tour** at Greenway Trails (rain date 20th) Discover our Town’s history with characters from our past along the Hopkinton Village Greenway Trail Sponsors: Hopkinton Conservation Commission & Open Space Committee, Contact: Lucia Kittredge, [lucia.kittredge@comcast.net](mailto:lucia.kittredge@comcast.net)
- July 4**      **Family Fun Day**  
**11:00 a.m.** Kiddie Parade in downtown Contoocook  
**12:00 p.m.** Main Parade in downtown Contoocook  
**Noon – 3:00 p.m** Family Games at Houston Drive  
Sponsor: Hopkinton Recreation Dept., Ed Kerr, [ejpk40@hotmail.com](mailto:ejpk40@hotmail.com)
- July 17, 18 & 19**      **"Our Town"** play by Thornton Wilder, directed by Hopkinton resident Christine Hamm Sponsor: Hopkinton Historical Society. More info: [www.HopkintonHistory.com](http://www.HopkintonHistory.com)
- August 4**      **National Night Out** in Contoocook Village  
Sponsors: Explore Contoocook & Hopkinton Police Dept.  
Contact: LeeAnne Vance, [leeanne@indigobluesandco.com](mailto:leeanne@indigobluesandco.com)
- August 6-8**      **Contoocook Riverway Association Train Car Dinner** - Contoocook Depot - Pullman’s Coach Dinner at Riverway Park Sponsor: Contoocook Riverway Association Contact: Steve Lux, Jr. 491-3420
- September TBD**      **Painted Curtains Restoration and Installation**  
Restoration of the theater curtains will require many volunteers over several days. Following restoration the curtains will be hung in the Town Hall and Hopkinton Town Library. Sponsor: Town of Hopkinton and Hopkinton Historical Society Contact: Neal Cass, [townadmin@hopkinton-nh.gov](mailto:townadmin@hopkinton-nh.gov)

- September 19      3rd Annual Art on the Porch**  
 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. in Contoocook Village  
 Sponsor: Explore Contoocook, Contact: LeeAnne Vance,  
 leeanne@indigobluesandco.com
- Sept. 26 & 27      United Train of Artillery weekend encampment** at  
 Kimball Lake Cabins Saturday & Sunday 9:00 a.m. – 5:00  
 p.m. Sponsor: Post 81 Auxiliary-Contoocook NH & Sons of the  
 American Legion Contact: Louise Carr, louise.carr@tds.net
- Sept. 26 – Dec. 5      Historical Society's Annual Art Show & Sale**  
 250th Anniversary-themed. Now in its 25th year, the show  
 features original works by more than 50 local artists.  
 More info: [www.HopkintonHistory.org](http://www.HopkintonHistory.org)
- October 17      Hopkinton Cares “Got Projects” Day**  
 HopkintonCares is recruiting 250 volunteers for our 250th  
 anniversary - volunteer opportunities are available  
 throughout Hopkinton.  
**7:30 a.m.** Breakfast/Registration-Hopkinton Middle/High School  
**8:00 a.m.** Orientation at Hopkinton/Middle High School  
 Sponsor: HopkintonCares, Contact: Judy Delisle, 746-2022
- November 15      Project Snapshot Oral History Program**  
 The Hopkinton Historical Society and the Hopkinton Town  
 Library are collecting oral histories from several of our  
 town’s residents. A program on the oral history project will  
 take place on November 15. More info:  
[www.HopkintonHistory.org](http://www.HopkintonHistory.org) or [www.HopkintonTownLibrary.org](http://www.HopkintonTownLibrary.org)
- Dec. 4, 5 & 6      Starry Starry Weekend**  
 Friday 10:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m.  
 Saturday 10:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.  
 Sunday 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.  
 Sponsor: Explore Contoocook, Contact: LeeAnne Vance  
 leeanne@indigobluesandco.com
- December 5      Tree Lighting Ceremony and Caroling**  
 Contoocook Village at 4:00 p.m. Sponsor: Hopkinton Town  
 Band & Hopkinton Woman’s Club
- December 5      Polar Express Reading - Contoocook Depot Train Car**